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 City of Beverly  
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PS Form 3811, February 2004

Domestic Return Receipt

102595-02-M-1540

Re: Request for Information Pursuant to Section 308 of the Clean Water Act,  
 Docket No. 12-308-30

Dear Mr. Collins:

The Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has received complaints regarding runoff from a stockpile of street sweepings and catch basin cleanings at the Highway Department yard located at 148 Park Street in Beverly, Massachusetts. The runoff flows off the site and into a storm drain system owned and operated by the City of Beverly (the "City") through a catch basin on Creek Street. On October 14, 2011, EPA inspectors visited the site and observed heavily solids-laden runoff flowing from the storage pile into the catch basin. The storm drain discharges to the Bass River, a navigable water as defined by Section 502(7) of the Clean Water Act (the "Act"), 33 U.S.C. § 1362(7). The solids and other materials in the runoff are pollutants as defined by Section 502(6) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1362(6). Section 301(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1311(a), provides that the discharge of a pollutant except, among other things, in compliance with a permit issued under Section 402 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1342 is unlawful.

Section 308(a) of the Federal Clean Water Act (the "Act"), 33 U.S.C. § 1318(a), authorizes the EPA to require any owner or operator of a point source to provide information needed to determine whether there has been a violation of the Act. Accordingly, the City is hereby required, pursuant to Section 308(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1318(a) to respond to this Request for Information (the "Request") within **thirty (30) calendar days of your receipt of this letter**. Please read the instructions in Attachment No. 1 carefully before preparing your response and answer each question in Attachment No. 2 as clearly and completely as possible.